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employee relationship. Accordingly, entitlements and benefits applicable to such relationships do not apply.

- (1) Payments by the Government under this contract are not subject to Federal income tax withholdings.
- (2) Payments by the Government under this contract are not subject to the Federal Insurance Contributions Act.
- (3) The Contractor is not entitled to unemployment compensation benefits under the Social Security Act, as amended, by virtue of performance of this contract.
- (4) The Contractor is not entitled to work-man's compensation benefits by virtue of this contract.
- (5) The entire consideration and benefits to the Contractor for performance of this contract is contained in the provisions for payment under this contract.
- (e) Notice. It is the Contractor's, as well as, the Government's responsibility to monitor contract activities and notify the Contracting Officer if the Contractor believes that the intent of this clause has been or may be violated.
- (1) The Contractor should notify the Contracting Officer in writing promptly, within (to be negotiated and inserted into the basic contract at contract award) calendar days from the date of any incident that the Contractor considers to constitute a violation of this clause. The notice should include the date, nature and circumstance of the conduct, the name, function and activity of each Government employee or Contractor official or employee involved or knowledgeable about such conduct, identify any documents or substance of any oral communication involved in the conduct, and the estimate in time by which the Government must respond to this notice to minimize cost, delay or disruption of performance.
- (2) The Contracting Officer will promptly, within (to be negotiated and inserted into the basic contract at contract award) calendar days after receipt of notice, respond to the notice in writing. In responding, the Contracting Officer will either:
- (i) Confirm that the conduct is in violation and when necessary direct the mode of further performance,
- (ii) Countermand any communication regarded as a violation,
- (iii) Deny that the conduct constitutes a violation and when necessary direct the mode of further performance; or
- (iv) In the event the notice is inadequate to make a decision, advise the Contractor what additional information is required, and establish the date by which it should be furnished by the Contractor and the date thereafter by which the Government will respond.

1552.239-70 Rehabilitation act notice.

As prescribed in 1523.7003(a), insert the following clause.

REHABILITATION ACT NOTICE (OCT 2000)

(a) EPA has a legal obligation under the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, 29 U.S.C. 791, to provide reasonable accommodation to persons with disabilities who wish to attend EPA programs and activities. Under this contract, the contractor may be required to provide support in connection with EPA programs and activities, including conferences, symposia, workshops, meetings, etc. In such cases, the contractor shall, as applicable, include in its draft and final meeting announcements (or similar documents) the following notice:

It is EPA's policy to make reasonable accommodation to persons with disabilities wishing to participate in the agency's programs and activities, pursuant to the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, 29 U.S.C. 791. Any request for accommodation should be made to the specified registration contact for a particular program or activity, preferably one month in advance of the registration deadline, so that EPA will have sufficient time to process the request.

- (b) Upon receipt of such a request for accommodation, the contractor shall immediately forward the request to the EPA contracting officer, and provide a copy to the appropriate EPA program office. The contractor may be required to provide any accommodation that EPA may approve. However, in no instance shall the contractor proceed to provide an accommodation prior to receiving written authorization from the contracting officer.
- (c) The contractor shall insert in each subcontract or consultant agreement placed hereunder provisions that shall conform substantially to the language of this clause, including this paragraph, unless otherwise authorized by the contracting officer.

(End of clause)

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1552.239-103 Acquisition of Energy Star Compliant Microcomputers, Including Personal Computers, Monitors and Printers.

As prescribed in 1523.7003, insert the following clause:

(End of clause)